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		A METHOD FOR)	20231, on
		GENERATING AN)	
		IMPLEMENTABLE)	
		DESCRIPTION OF A)	
		DIGITAL SYSTEM)	
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Examiner	:	Unknown)	
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June 4, 2001

(Date)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following paragraph at page 1, line 8:

Related Application

This application claims priority to and incorporates by reference, in its entirety, co-pending U.S. Application No. 09/237,549, titled "A DESIGN APPARATUS AND A METHOD FOR GENERATING AN IMPLEMENTABLE DESCRIPTION OF A DIGITAL SYSTEM", filed January 26, 1999, which in turn claims priority to U.S. Application No. 09/041,985, titled "DESIGN APPARATUS AND A METHOD FOR GENERATING AN IMPLEMENTABLE DESCRIPTION OF A DIGITAL SYSTEM", filed January 26, 1999, which in

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turn claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120, to the following U.S. provisional patent applications: "Design Environment and a Method for Dataflow Support and Refinement of Dataflow for Hardware Design and Hardware/software Co-design," Application Number: 60/039,078, Attorney Docket Number: IMEC64.001PR, and filed on March 14, 1997; "Design Environment and a Method for Generating an Implementable Description of a Digital System," Application Number: 60/039,079, Attorney Docket Number: IMEC65.001PR, and filed on March 14, 1997; "Design Environment and a Method for Generating an Implementable Description of a Digital System," Application Number 60/041,121, Attorney Docket Number: IMEC65.002PR, and filed on March 20, 1997".

REMARKS

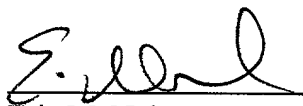
Prior to examination, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the above-amendments.

If the Examiner has any questions with respect to these amendments, he is respectfully requested to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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